

# Triggering MICE: Very Preliminary Thoughts

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# What Should the Triggering Do?

- We should like to trigger on a good muon track.
  - We do not want to waste time writing out TPG or SciFi hits if the track is not a good muon candidate.
    - Is this true? Is there time to write out everything to a buffer and not worry about triggering at all?
      - For data rate considerations alone we could take everything.
  - We also don't necessarily want to trigger if the beam conditions are bad for some reason
    - Beam is mis-steered on a particular beam cycle.
  - We may want to trigger an a particular part of the phase space.
    - This may or may not be possible.



#### Data Rates

Detector	Data Rate
TPG	10 Mb/s
SciFi	40 Mb/s
TOF	0.5 Mb/s

From E. Radicioni's Transparency

•This data rates are not excessive



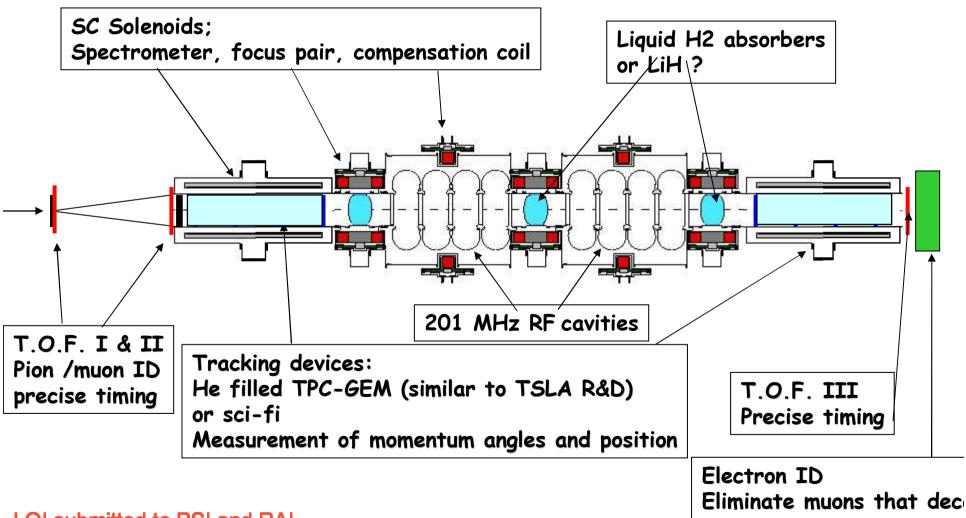
# Why Trigger?

- We could trigger to reduce the background.
  - TOF 1 and 2 can verify a muon. This signal can be used to trigger a tight time gate for other detectors.
    - In this case detectors would only be sensitive to background Xrays during the minimum gated time.
    - This will be the triggering scheme that will be pursued.

10% cooling of 200 MeV muons requires ~ 20 MV of RF

single particle measurements =>

measurement precision can be as good as  $\Delta$  ( $\epsilon_{out}/\epsilon_{in}$ ) =



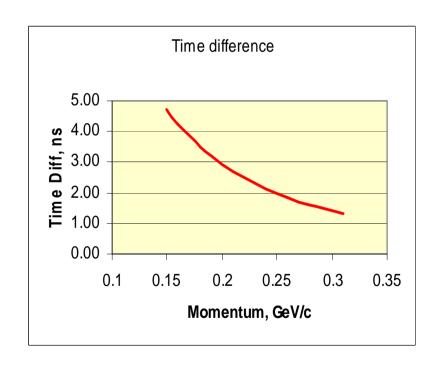
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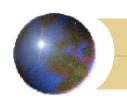
The two labs agreed to collaborate and RAL encourages submission of proposal. 2002: prepare prop



### Triggering Using TOF System

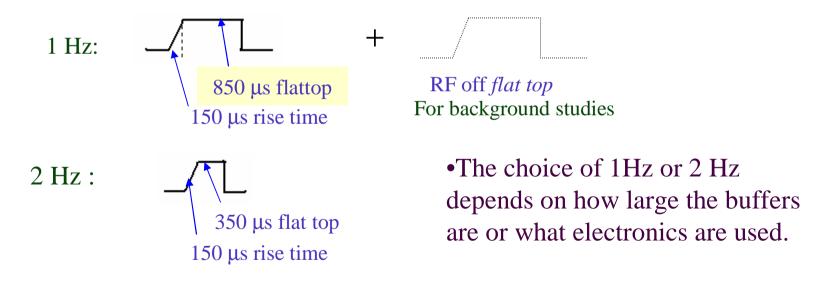
- The figure shows the time difference between  $\mu$  and  $\pi$  with specified momentum to traverse 10 m.
- The TOF time resolution is expected to be better than 200 ps. This is adequate to distinguish  $\mu$  from  $\pi$ .
- Good Muon can be defined as a coincidence.
  - TOF1 \* TOF2 with proper time delay



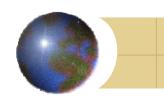


#### Data Taking Scenario

- •RF Duty Cycle:  $10^{-3} \rightarrow 1$  ms in each second
  - •150 µs rise time required for turn on of RF.

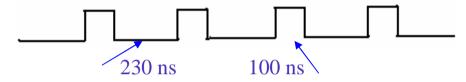


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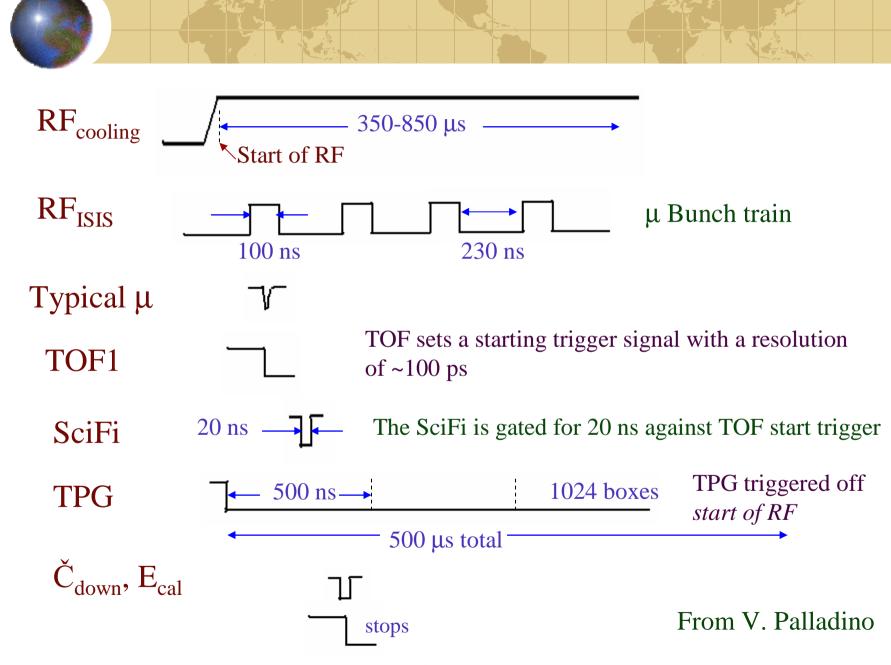


# Data Taking Scenario (cont.)

•ISIS Bunch Structure



- •In 850 µs there are 2600 bunches
- •Assuming  $\sim 1 \mu$ /bunch in TOF 1
- $\rightarrow$  0.25 µ/bunch in TOF 2 (geometric factor)
- $\rightarrow$  0.04 µ/bunch in phase w/RF (factor 1/6)
- •2600 bunches gives 100 μ/sec
- •For 1% errors we need 10<sup>5</sup> muons
- •Typical run would be 1000 sec.



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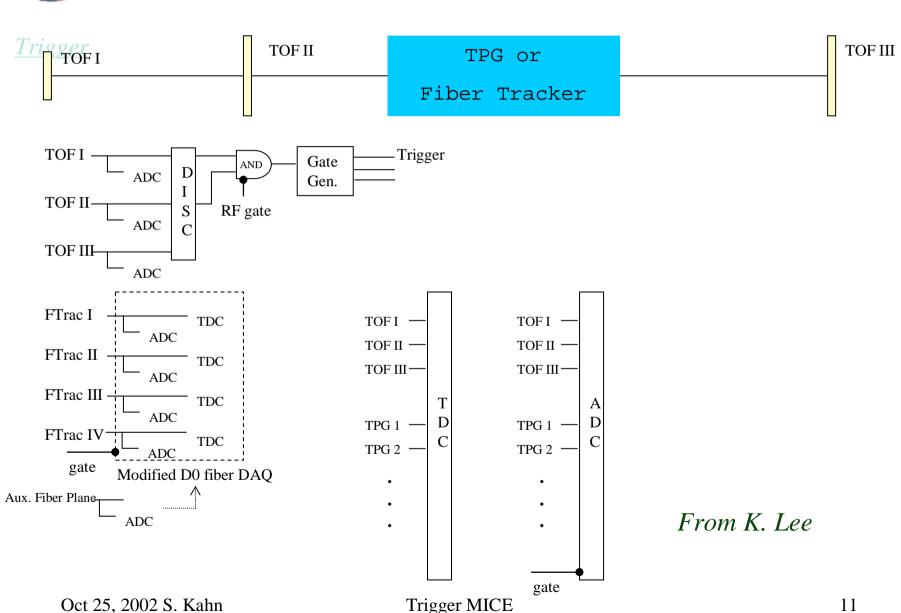
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#### Specific Detector Comments

- SciFi Detector.
  - The minimum required active time is 20 ns.
  - This 20 ns gate can be triggered by the TOF.
    - This will specify where in the 100 ns bucket the  $\mu$  is.
    - The SciFi need not be active during the whole RF cycle, which will reduce the background from Xrays.
- TPG Detector.
  - The TPG would trigger off the *start of RF* signal.
  - It would stay active for 500 μs.
  - The TPG is less sensitive to background.
- The Č and E-cal are reasonably fast and could be triggered in a manner similar to the SciFi.
  - The Č is fast enough for a 10 ns gate.(?)





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